



MONROE CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT:	<i>Oath of Office for Councilmember Jason Gamble</i>
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DATE:	DEPT:	CONTACT:	PRESENTER:	ITEM:
1/21/2020	Executive	Deborah Knight	Mayor Thomas	Final Action #1

Action: 1/21/2020

Attachments: 1. None

REQUESTED ACTION: Witness the Oath of Office to Councilmember Jason Gamble for a term to commence January 1, 2020 and expire December 31, 2023.

POLICY CONSIDERATION

None.

DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND

People elected to office for terms that commence on January 1st are required to sign the oath of office before taking their first official action in elected office.

The Snohomish County Auditor's Office certified the election on November 26, 2019. Councilmember Jason Gamble won his election race. Both have requested to have the oath of office administered to them at the last City Council meeting on December 10, 2019. Councilmember Jason Gamble also won his election race; and will be sworn in at the first Council meeting of January, 2020.

The oath of office may be administered by any notary public or by any other officer authorized by statute to administer oaths. The following is a list of the officials in local government who most commonly administer the oath of office:

- Court Commissioner
- Judicial Officers
- Judge
- Clerk of Court
- County Auditor or Deputy Auditor
- County Commissioner or County Councilmember
- Mayor of a Code City, a Town, or a Second Class City
- Mayor Pro Tem of a Second Class City
- Clerk of a Code City
- Town Clerk or Deputy Clerk

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas will administer the oath of office.

When persons elected to office take the oath, they swear or affirm that they will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office to the best of their ability. No particular wording or form the oath is required.



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The following oath of office is one that is commonly used:

I, _____, do solemnly swear [or affirm] that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington, and all local ordinances, and that I will faithfully and impartially perform and discharge the duties of the office of _____, according to the law and the best of my ability.